# MA International Relations

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Our distinguished faculty of scholars and practising professionals deliver an academic curriculum that combines theory and practice. You will benefit from their diverse cultural backgrounds, expertise and high levels of personal attention, throughout your studies.

### **Professor Yossi Mekelberg** Head of Programmes



Professor Yossi Mekelberg graduated in political science from Tel Aviv University. He has an MA with distinction in International Relations from Middlesex

University. He has taught international relations at Regent's University London since 1996 and has led the programme for more than a decade. His fields of interest are international relations theory, Middle East politics, US foreign policy, negotiations, and international relations and revolutions. Yossi is a senior consulting research fellow of the Middle East and North Africa programme at the Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House. Much of his research focuses on international politics in the Middle East. the Arab-Israeli peace process, human rights and WMD proliferation. He is a regular contributor to the international media on these issues and writes a weekly column for *Arab News* newspaper in English. He is a member of Human Rights Watch London Committee.

### **Dr Orit Gal** Senior Lecturer



Dr Orit Gal is a political economist specialising in the practical applications of complexity theories. Her current fields of interest include complexity economics

and innovation dynamics, systemic change, urbanisation and social entrepreneurship. An expert generalist, she has worked in tech start-ups, corporate market research, peacebuilding NGOs, and innovative policy and military think-tanks. Having the opportunity to closely observe decision makers operating in messy and dynamic situations, she has focused her teaching and research on adaptive design, exploring innovative methods for strategy development and effective action in complex environments.

### **Dr Mireille Hebina** Course Leader



Dr Mireille Hebing has considerable knowledge and experience of designing, planning and delivering quality teaching on a range of undergraduate and

postgraduate courses. Before teaching at Regent's, she studied at London South Bank University and proceeded to complete a PhD at City University. Mireille's research has mainly focused on refugee and migrant integration, with particular emphasis on the examination of the construction of refugee narratives and the extent to which they have the freedom to share their personal stories.

## Dr Neven Andielic

Senior Lecturer



Dr Neven Andjelic is a senior lecturer in international relations and human rights at Regent's University London. He served on the Advisory Committee on the

Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities - Council of Europe from 2014 to 2018.

Dr Andjelic is a visiting professor at the University of Bologna and a visiting senior fellow at LSE. He previously taught at Birkbeck College, London, Open University and Bader International Studies Centre of the Queen's University (Kingston, Canada). Andielic was Fulbright visiting scholar at the University of California at Berkeley and also taught at the University of Sarajevo.

Dr Andjelic has worked as a journalist for CNN, BBC, ITN, Channel 4 in the UK and all the leading media in Bosnia-Herzegovina. He has worked on research projects at the Universities of Sussex. Kent and Oxford and writes for various academic journals and publications. He has also published several books including Bosnia Herzegovina: The End of a Legacy.

His academic interests are interdisciplinary with research expertise in the fields of international relations, nationalism, human rights and the media. The majority of his research focuses on Europe and the Balkans.

Andjelic often provides his expertise in European affairs to governments, state agencies and international organisations. These include the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Ministry of Defence, UNICEF, Council of Europe, diplomats from various countries and others. He has also given talks to the US State Department and Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington DC.

### Marius Calu Lecturer



Marius Calu is a lecturer in global issues and research methods. He also works as a teaching fellow in global politics at UCL. Before joining Regent's, he was a

Mary, University of London. Marius is particularly interested in using blended learning and E-learning strategies within his teaching.

His research work is in the fields of international relations, comparative politics and nationalism with a focus on contemporary norms, practices of international state-building and peacebuilding, the critical analysis of post-conflict interventions and governance in multi-ethnic societies. He has specialised knowledge on the regions of the Western Balkans and Eastern Europe.

Marius has also worked in the past with external partners through his fieldwork and public engagement activities in the Western Balkans. Moreover, as a research associate for LSE, he worked for the MAXCAP project investigating the independence of the judiciary in Serbia (2015).

Marius' PhD research on post-conflict and post-independence Kosovo, and the management of diversity has become a key indicator in the development of state-society relations, democratisation and the consolidation of domestic sovereignty. He has published an article and a book chapter, and is currently working on new publications relating to his doctoral research.

### **Dr Tom Villis** Reader



Dr Tom Villis studied at the Universities of Edinburgh and Grenoble before completing his PhD at St John's College Cambridge in 2004. Since then he has

lecturer in international politics at Queen lectured at the University of Cambridge, the Open University and Webster University. He became a full-time lecturer at Regent's University London in 2008, a senior lecturer in 2009 and a Reader in 2013. Tom teaches courses on modern history and politics.

> Tom's research has focused on antiparliamentary and elitist ideas in British culture and the intellectual origins of European fascism. At present he is working on the political ideas of British Catholics. He is the author of Reaction and the Avant-Garde: the revolt against liberal democracy in early twentieth century Britain (I.B. Tauris, 2005) and British Catholics and Fascism (Palarave Macmillan, 2013). He has recently contributed to David Jones: A Christian Modernist (Brill, 2017) and David Jones on Religion, Politics, and Culture (Bloomsbury, 2018).



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0	Duration Start dates	1 year full time September
>	Tier 4 visa sponsorship	Yes
$\square$	Entry requirements	Undergraduate degree with a minimum 2:2 classification, or international equivalent
	English language requirements	IELTS: Overall score of 6.5, with 6.0 or above in all 4 components, or equivalent
	Exceptional entry	No
£	Fees (per year)	£18,500
•	Location	Regent's Park



### Programme content

	Core modules	
Introduction to International Relations		
	International Law	
	International Political Economy	
	Research Methods in International Relation	
	Dissertation	

### Elective modules

Foreign Policy and Negotiation

Human Rights

International Security

The State and Sovereignty

### Learning and assessment

You will be taught by expert academics and practitioners who have extensive experience working in international relations and related fields. The programme puts strong emphasis on experiential learning, with outside activity complementing the work in class.

Methods of assessment will include individual presentations, essays, group presentations, reflective papers, research posters, exams, research proposals, a report on your professional placement and a final dissertation of up to 10,000 words.

### **Future opportunities**

Graduates of this programme are not limited to a single career path. It will prepare you for careers in areas such as diplomacy, international business, economics, history, law and political science, and enable you to excel in both the public and private sectors.

### **Entry requirements**

A minimum of a lower-second class (2:2) UK Honours undergraduate degree or its international equivalent from a recognised institution. An equivalent US Bachelor's degree would require a minimum 2.5 (out of 4.0) cumulative grade point average.





War and peace, strategy and diplomacy are still at the heart of world affairs. However, human rights, climate change and the environment, migration, globalisation, global civil society, terrorism and many other newer issues present more complex and intriguing challenges for the future. This MA will give you a deep analytical understanding of international relations past and present, and awareness of global politics from a broad range of perspectives.

This MA programme examines the complexities and processes involved in world affairs, preparing you for an exciting career in the fast-moving and uncertain world of global politics.

You will explore and analyse the relationships between states, international institutions, international non-governmental organisations (INGOs) and non-state operators. Taking an interdisciplinary approach to your studies, you will examine historical examples and theories from international relations and related areas, including international political economy, sociology, psychology and history.

We aim to help you develop your analytical skills as well as your ability to research independently and work in groups. Throughout your studies you will be encouraged to turn theory into practice, applying your learning to real-life situations and developing practical policy solutions.

You will have opportunities to participate in conferences and attend seminars hosted by high-profile figures in international politics, academia, human rights and the media. You may also get to attend a humanitarian conference in Geneva.

During your studies, you'll be encouraged to make use of the wealth of resources that London has to offer. For example students are eligible for an exclusive discounted membership to the Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, with its captivating meetings and rich academic resources. The British Library's vast collection is also nearby.

### Key features

A systematic and comprehensive programme, giving students a broad and deep understanding of international relations, geopolitics and human rights

Exposure to leading practitioners and expert staff, bringing the subject to life by sharing their expert knowledge and direct experience of working in the field

Distinguished guest lecturers providing expert analysis of a wide range of topics

Extensive use of current and relevant case studies to help students develop an understanding of how theory relates to practice